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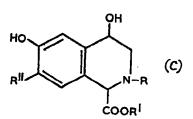


(54) HETEROCYCLIC DERIVATIVES OF GLYOXYLIC ACID, PROCESS FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND THERAPEUTICAL COMPOSITION CONTAINING SAME

(71) We, LABORATOIRES HOUDE, a French Body Corporate, residing at 15, Rue Olivier-Métra, 75 Paris, France, do hereby declare the invention for which we pray that a patent may be granted to us and the method by which it is to be performed, to be particularly described in and by the following statement:—

This invention relates to heterocyclic derivatives of glyoxylic acid having useful pharmacological properties, to a process for the preparation of such products and to a therapeutic composition containing said derivatives.

The new products of the invention consist of the reaction products of one mole of a compound of formula:



or a compound of equimolar quantities of the cis and trans forms of this compound (hereinafter referred to as a "mutual salt", when 30 R'=H;

b) or a compound of formula:

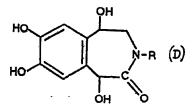
with one mole of a compound of formula:

20 in which formula R and R', which may be the same or diffierent, represent hydrogen or a lower alkyl group of 1—8 carbon atoms and R' is hydrogen or a hydroxy group.

According to the compounds (A) and (B) used, the reaction product is:

a) either a compound of formula:

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in the case where, in starting compounds (A) and (B), R'=H and R"=OH;

c) or a mixture of the compounds defined under a) and b) above.

For example when, in starting compound (A), R" is hydrogen, the reaction product is essentially a compound of formula (C), or a mutual salt when R'=H; when, in the starting compounds, R=H or iso. C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>7</sub>, R'=H and R"=OH, the reaction product is essentially a compound of formula (D); in other cases, there is obtained a mixture of the compounds defined under a) and b) above, and particularly in the case where R=CH<sub>3</sub>; R'=H and R'=OH there is obtained a mixture

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of the mutual salt of the cis and trans forms of compound of formula (C) and of compound

of formula (D).

All compounds or mixtures defined under a), b) and c) above exhibit, to varying degrees, an antitussive activity useful in human therapeutics and a very low toxicity.

The invention relates also to a process for the preparation of products derived from gly-10 oxylic acid, comprising reacting a compound of formula A with a compound of formula B, wherein R, R' and R" have the above defined meanings, and collecting the resulting

reaction product.

The reaction between compound (A) and glyoxylic acid or its ester of formula (B) is generally carried out at room temperature, the glyoxylic acid or its ester preferably being added in equimolecular amount, in aqueous or alcoholic solution (sometimes slightly acidified when a glyoxylic acid ester is used) to

arylethanolamine (A).

Dissolution is made complete by stirring; heat is generally evolved, which is limited by cooling under a stream of water, together with a slight discoloration of the solution. The reaction product crystallizes spontaneously; it is then suction filtered and recrystallized from water or an organic solvent, according to the case. The esters of formula (C) may also be prepared by esterification of acids of formula (C) with the corresponding alcohols R'OH, in the presence of anhydrous hydrochloric acid.

The following non-limiting examples are

given to illustrate the invention.

EXAMPLE 1

1) Mutual salt of cis and trans - 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline 1 - carboxylic acids

(I)  $(R=CH_s; R'=R''=H)$ .

To a conical flask containing 16.76 g (0.1 mole) of a powdered phenylephrine base is added an aqueous solution of 9.2 g (0.1 mole) of glyoxylic acid monohydrate. The mixture 45 is stirred until completely dissolved; heat is evolved. Crystallization is promoted by scratching, the reaction is cooled under a stream of water and crystallization is com-The crystalline pleted in the refrigerator. material is suction filtered, washed with cold water (2×20 ml), and then with alcohol and with ether and is then dried in air to constant weight, to give 16.5 g (yield: 73%) of pure product melting at 230—235°C with decomposition.

Analysis Calculated for C11H13NO4: N% H% 6.25 5.87 59.19 60 Found 5.78 6.45 59.21

cis - 4,6 - Dihydroxy - 2 - methyl -1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline 1 - carboxylic acid (Ia) (Formula C)

a) 0.076 mole of the methyl ester of 4,6 dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline 1 - carboxylic acid, prepared as in example 4 hereinunder, is heated with 45 ml of 2N sodium hydroxide under refluxing conditions; the precipitate is suction filtered and is then suspended in a few ml of water; the pH is brought to 5-6 with 6N HCl; the material is again suction filtered; it is then washed twice with 15 ml of cooled water, and then with alcohol and with ether. The product is obtained with a yield of 57%, m.p.=225°C with dec. Concentrating the mother-liquors to dryness and taking up the crystalline residue into 18 ml of boiling water makes it possible to collect 1 g of product, which brings the yield up to 63%.

b) The product may also be obtained by methylation of the N - unsubstituted acid (see Example 2). 55 g (0.06 mole) of product of example 2, 13. 8 g (0.3 mole) of formic acid and 18 g (0.18 mole) of 30% formalin are refluxed, using a water-bath, during 8 hours. The mixture is taken up into water and neutralized, which causes crystallization of a material entirely identical with that described

above under a).

Trans - 4,6 - Dihydroxy - 2 - methyl -1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - iso - quinoline 1 carboxylic acid (Ib) (Formula C)

Glyoxylic acid monohydrate (0.036 mole) 95 is dissolved in 112 ml of dimethylsulfoxide; phenylephine base (0.036 mole) is added thereto, with stirring; the temperature rises then to about 45°C and complete dissolution is obtained, followed by precipitation. Stirring is contained for a further 4 hours, the precipitate is suction filtered through sintered glass and is then washed with dimethylsulfoxide (20 ml) and then with alcohol and with ether. There are recovered 45 g of compound (I) with a yield of 56%. When 400 ml of absolute ethanol and 200 ml of ether are added to the combined filtrates, a gummy mass which crystallizes is produced. This is suction filtered and then washed with alcohol and with ether; thus is isolated trans isomer (Ib) with a yield of 27.8% (22.3 g), m.p. 224—225°C (dec.). When equal parts of (Ia) and (Ib) are dissolved in boiling water, product (I) crystallizes on cooling.

Example 2

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Mutual salt of cis and trans - 4,6 - dihydroxy - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline 1 - carboxylic acid (II) (R'=R''=H). The procedure of Example 1, 1), is used, substituting 0.1 mole of phenylephrine with 0.1 mole of norphenylephrine. Yield: 87.4%; m.p.=238°C.

<u> </u>	1,627	7,500	3
	Analysis Calculated for C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>11</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> C% H% N%' 57.42 5.30 6.69	Crystallization occurs spontaneously; the crystalline product is suction filtered, washed with water and dried.	
5	Found  57.53 5.02 6.68  EXAMPLE 3  Mutual salt of cis and trans - 4.6 - di-	<ul> <li>1st crop: m.p. 159—160°C. Weight: 18.59 g</li> <li>2nd crop (which separates from the filtrate): m.p. 158—160°C, weight: 14.91 g.</li> </ul>	65
10	hydroxy - 2 - ethyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline 1 - carboxylic acids (III) $(R=C_2H_s; R'=R''=H)$	Total weight: 33.5 g, i.e., a yield of 75.5%  The products obtained under a) and b)	<b>70</b> .
15	The procedure of Example 1, 1), is used, substituting 0.1 mole of phenylephrine with 0.1 mole of N - ethyl - norphenylephrine and substitution the matter of the procedure of th	Analysis	70.
13	substituting the water with ethanol to dissolve the glyoxylic acid. Yield: 80%; m.p. 212°C.  Analysis	Calculated for C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>15</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> C% H% N% <sup>1</sup> 60.76 6.33 6.91	75
	Calculated for C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>15</sub> NO <sub>4</sub>	Found 60.43 6.39 6.01	
20	Found 60.75 6.37 5.90 60.30 6.61 5.75	EXAMPLE 5  Ethyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline carboxylate (V)  (R=CH <sub>3</sub> ; R'=C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ; R''=H) (Formula	80
25	EXAMPLE 4  Methyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline carboxylate (IV) (R=CH <sub>3</sub> ; R'=CH <sub>3</sub> ; R'=CH <sub>3</sub> ;	a) Direct condensation from ethyl glyoxylate The procedure of Example 4 a) is used, substituting 0.025 mole of methyl glyoxylate with 0.025 mole of ethyl glyoxylate. m.p.=159— 160°. Recrystallized from water, m.p. 168°.	85
30	a) Direct condensation from methyl gly- oxylate Phenylephrine (5 g; 0.025 mole) is heated in	Yield. 40%.  b Esterification	
25	0.025 mole) is cautiously added to the hot solution; if required, the pH is acidified to a value of 2, with hydrochloric acid: the con-	The procedure of Example 4 b) is used, substituting the methanol ic hydrochloric acid solution with ethanol (400 ml) containing dry hydrochloric acid (40 g). The material is suc-	90
35	tacting is allowed to continue at least during 2 days; the solution is concentrated in vacuo, over a water-bath, the solvent is completely removed, the viscous residue is dissolved in	tion filtered, washed with water and dried to give the ethyl ester with a yield of 65%. m.p.=170°C.	95 
40	the minimum amount of water (made alkaline to pH 8—9 with ammonia), to give a precipitate which is suction filtered, washed with water and dried. m.p. 159—160°; Weight:	Analysis Calculated for C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>17</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> C% H% N%	
	2.35 g (yield: 40%)	Found 62.14 6.82 5.57 62.35 7.04 5.62	100
45	b) Esterification of the corresponding acid: 40 g of Compound (I) of Example 1 dissolved in methanol (400 ml) containing dry hydrochloric acid (40 g) are refluxed during	62.35 7.04 5.62  Products a) and b) are identical.	
50	2 hours; the solution is concentrated to dryness in vacuo, over the water-bath, the residue is taken up into a mixture of methanol and benzene; it is then again concentrated to dryness, and the procedure is repeated a number of times to dry the material completely.	EXAMPLE 6  Propyi 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline carboxylate (VI) (R=CH <sub>8</sub> ; R'=C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>7</sub> ; R"=H) (Formula C)	105
55	The residue is taken up into 400 ml of methanol containing 40 g of dry hydrochloric acid and is then refluxed during 2 hours. These operations are repeated three times, final evaporation to dryness is then carried out and	a) Direct condensation from propyl glyoxylate  The procedure of Example 4 a) is used, substituting the methyl glyoxylate with 0.025 mole of propyl glyoxylate. This gives a pro-	110
60	the residue is finally dissolved in water (60 ml) containing ammonia (200 ml) at 20° Bé.	from acetons and from a 2 dization	115

ture of cis (VIa) and trans (VIb) is obtained (Yield: 20%; m.p. 140°).

b) Esterification

The procedure of Example 4 b) is used, substituting the methanol ic hydrochloric acid solution with propanol (400 ml) containing dry hydrochloric acid (40 g); this gives a product which, in recrystallization from acetone, melts at 157°C. Yield: 97%.

10 Analysis
Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>
C% H% N%
63.38 7.22 5.28
Found
63.62 7.22 5.44

EXAMPLE 7

Isopropyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline carboxylate (VII) (R=CH<sub>3</sub>; R'= iso. C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub>; R''=H) (Formula C)

a) Condensation from isopropyl glyoxylate
The procedure of Example 4a) is used,
substituting 0.025 mole of methyl glyoxylate
with 0.025 mole of isopropyl glyoxylate. Recrystallization is carried out from methanol.
There are obtained a 1st crop, m.p. 170°C
(Yield: 31%) followed by a 2nd crop, m.p.
165°C (yield: 16%) containing both the cis
and trans isomers.

b) Esterification
 The procedure of Example 4 b) is used, substituting the methanol ic hydrochloric acid solution with isopropanol (400 ml) containing dry hydrochloric acid (40 g). A product melting at 168—170°C is obtained. Yield: 50%

Analysis
Calculated for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>

C% H% N%
63.38 7.22 5.28

40 Found
63.32 7.43 5.30

EXAMPLE 8

Butyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline carboxylate
(VIII) (R=CH<sub>3</sub>; R'=C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>; R''=H)
(Formula C)

a) Condensation from butyl glyoxylate
The procedure of Example 4 a) is used,
substituting 0.025 mole of methyl glyoxylate
with 0.025 mole of butyl glyoxylate. A first
crop (yield: 89%) is obtained which, on recrystallization from methanol, melts at 143—
145°C, followed by a 2nd crop containing
both the cis and trans isomers, with a yield
of 12%, m.p. about 128°C.

b) Esterification

The procedure of Example 4 b) is used, substituting the methanol ic hydrochloric acid solution with butanol (400 ml) containing dry hydrochloric acid (40 g). A product melting at 143—145°C is obtained.

Analysis
Calculated for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>

C% H% N%
64.49 7.58 5.01 65

Found
64.59 7.57 5.20

EXAMPLE 9

Isobutyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline carboxylate (IX) (R=CH<sub>3</sub>; R'=iso.C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>0</sub>;
R"=H) (Formula C)

a) Condensation from isobutyl glyoxylate
The procedure of Example 4 a) is used,
substituting the methyl glyoxylate with 0.025
mole of isobutyl glyoxylate. A first crop
(Yield 40%), m.p. 166—168°C is obtained,
and then a second crop, m.p. about 150°C
(Yield: 10%) which is the mixture of the
cis and trans isomers.

b) Esterification
The procedure of Example 4 b) is used, substituting the methanol ic hydrochloric acid solution with isobutanol (400 ml) containing dry hydrochloric acid (40 g). A product melting at 165°C is obtained. Yield: 82%.

Analysis
Calculated for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>

C% H% N%
64.49 7.58 5.01 90

Found
64.20 7.78 5.06

EXAMPLE 10

Amyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline carboxylate (X) 95

(R=CH<sub>3</sub>; R'=C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>11</sub>; R"=H (Formula C)

a) Condensation from amyl glyoxylate
The procedure of Example 4 a) is used,
substituting the methyl glyoxylate with 0.025
mole of amyl glyoxylate. A product melting
at 130°C after recrystallization from aqueous
methanol is obtained (Yield: 27%).

b) Esterification
The procedure of Example 4 a) is used, substituting the methanol ic hydrochloric acid solution with amyl alcohol (400 ml) containing dry hydrochloric acid (40 g). This gives, with a yield of 26.5%, a product which melts at 130°C on recrystallization from aqueous 110 methanol.

Analysis 105° comments to the comments of the	
Calculated for C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>28</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> 195° corresponding to one of the isomers i pure form.	n
C% H% N% 65.51 7.90 4.28 Analysis 5 Found Calculated for C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>15</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> 65.69 8.04 4.88	60
Example 11 Found 60.75 6.37 5.9	
Isoamyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinoline car- boxylate (XI) (R=CH <sub>3</sub> ; R'=iso.C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>11</sub> ; R"=H) (Formula C)  EVAMPLE 14	65
a) Condensation from isoamyl glyoxylate  The procedure of Example 4 a) is used, substituting the methyl glyoxylate with 0.025  15 mole of isoamyl glyoxylate. Yield: 40%; m.p. 153—155°C; the product may be recrystallized from aqueous methanol.  Propyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 1,2,3,4 - isoquino line carboxylate (XIV) (R=H; R'=C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>7</sub> )  R''=H) (Formula C)  The procedure of Example 6 b) is used substituting compound (I) with compound (II). On recrystallization from 50% aqueous methanol, the product melts at 165—166° (Xialdam 528°)	70
The procedure of Example 4 b) is used,  Substituting the methanol ic hydrochloric acid  Solution with isograph alcohol (400 -1) acid  Solution with isograph alcohol (400 -1) acid	75
duct which, on recrystallization from aqueous Found methanol, melts at 153—155° (Yield 19%)	
25 is thereby obtained. 61.97 6.75 5.58  Analysis	80
Calculated for C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>23</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> C% H% N% 65.51 7.90 4.78  Swample 15  Isobutyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 1,2,3,4 - tetra- hydro - isoquinoline carboxylate (XV)  (R=H; R'=iso.C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub> ; R''=H) (Formula	85
EXAMPLE 12  Methyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 1,2,3,4 - tetra- hydro - isoquinoline carboxylate (XII)	90
substituting the 40 g of compound (I) with 40 g of compound (II) of Example 2; on re- crystallization from aqueous methanol a second compound (II) and the compound of the com	
40 duct melting at 180°C (with decomposition) Found is obtained (Yield: 65%). 63.38 7.22 5.28	95
Analysis Calculated for C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>18</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> EXAMPLE 16  C% H%: Isoamyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 1,2,3,4 - tetra-	•
Found $(R=H; R'=iso,C_5H_{11}; R''=H)$ (Formula 59.11 5.68	100
Example 13  Ethyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro- isoquinoline carboxylate (XIII) (R=H; R'=C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> ; R''=H) (Formula C)  The procedure of Example 11 b) is used, substituting compound (I) with compound (II). The resulting product is recrystallized from methylethylketone (Yield 10%).	105
The procedure of Example 5 b) is used, substituting compound (I) with compound (II); recrystallization from methanol gives a first crop which is a mixture of both cis and  Analysis  Calculated for C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>21</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> . H <sub>2</sub> O (3/4)  C% H% N%	
trans isomers, melting at 180—190°C (Yield: Found 61.52 7.74 4.48 66,4%) and a second crop melting at 194— 61.49 7.49 4.78	110

	Example 17	Analysis	
	Methyl 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - ethyl - 1,2,3,4 -	Calculated for C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>13</sub> NO <sub>5</sub>	55
		70 700	<i></i>
	(XVII) $(R=C_1H_5; R'=CH_5; R''=H)$	JJ.25 5.10	
5	/Rormilla Ci	Found 55.11 5.37 5.71	
)	The procedure of Example 4 b) is used,	55.11 5.57 5.72	
	substituting the 40 g of compound (1) will	T	
	40 g of compound (III) of Example 4. Yield:	EXAMPLE 20	60
	65%, m.p. 139—140°	1,5,7,8 - Tetrahydroxy - 2,3,4,5 - tetra-	
	05/63 mag. 255	hydro - 3 - (1H) - benzazepin - 2 - one	
10	Analysis	(XX) (R=H; formula D).  An aqueous solution of glyoxylic acid mono-	
	Calculated for CaHa-NO4	hydrate (6 g; 0.066 mole) in water (10 ml) is	
	C% 11/0 11/0	poured over 0.06 mole of noradrenalin base.	65
	62.13 6.82 5.57	The mintered becomes discontinue and warms	
	Found 567	up slightly; scratching the walls of the con-	
15	62.13 6.91 5.67	tainer with a rod produces a crystalline	
		material which is suction filtered, washed with	
	_ 40	water, with alcohol and finally with ether.	70
	Example 18	This is dried in air to constant weight to give	
	Mixture of the mutual salts of cis and trans -	12 g (Yield: 80%) of product melting at	
	4,6,7 - trihydroxy - 2 - methyl - 1,2,3,4 -	205°C, containing one mole of water.	
	totrohydro - isoquinoline 1 - carooxyne	205 C, COMMISSION	
20	acids (XVIII) R=CH <sub>3</sub> ; R'=H; R"=	Analysis	
	OH) and of 1,5,7,8 - tetrahydroxy - 3 -	Calculated for CigHitNO <sub>5</sub> . H <sub>2</sub> U	75
	methyl - 2,3,4,5 - tetrahydro - 3 - (1H) -	C% H% N%	
	benzazepin - 2 - one (XIX) (R=CH <sub>8</sub> ;	49.38 5.39 5.76	
	formula D).	Found 5.07	
25	An aqueous solution of glyoxylic acid mono-	49.42 5.40 5.87	
	hydrate (0.03 mole) is poured over powdered		00
	adrenalin base (0.03 mole); the mixture is thoroughly stirred and the whole solubilizes,	Example 21	80
	after which the solution becomes discolored	1,5,7,8 - Tetrahydroxy - 2 - isopropyl -	
	and crystallizes spontaneously. The precipi-	2 2 4 5 _ tetrahvdrn = 3 = (111) = UCHZ4=	
30	tate is suction filtered, washed with alcohol	zepin - 2 - one $(XXI)$ $(R=180.C_5H_7)$	
	and with ether, and is men dried in an to con-	Formula D)	85
	stant weight. Yield: 93%. m.p. 180°C with	An aqueous solution of glyoxylic acid mono-	0,5
	decomposition.	hydrate (1 g; 0.011 mole) is poured over iso-	
	decomposition	prenalin base (2 g; 0.01 mole). The mixture	
		becomes discolored and warms up slightly;	
35	Analysis	scratching the walls with a rod gives a crystal- line material which is suction filtered, washed	90
	Calculated for CuHiaNOs . HaO	with water, then with alcohol and finally with	
	C% H% N%	ether, and is then dried in air to constant	
	51.36 5.87 5.44	weight. Yield: 82%; m.p. 188—190°C.	
	Found 51.69 5.62 5.64	weight. Held. oz /o, za.p. zot z	
40	51.69 5.62 5.64	Analysis	
		Calculated for CaHaNO	95
	Transmin 10	C% H% N% O%	
	Example 19	58.42 6.41 5.24 29.93	
	1,5,7,8 - Tetrahydroxy - 3 - methyl - 2,3,4,5 - tetrahydro - 3(1H) - benzazepin - 2 - one	Found	
	(XIX) (R=SH <sub>3</sub> ; formula D)	58.53 6.53 30.03	
	a a s s s s s s s s s s s s s s s s s s	to the second second second	100
45	(mixture XVIII+XIX) are contacted in the	Results of toxicological and pharmacological	100
	cold with 10 ml of N HCl during 24 hours	test carried out with some of the products	
	ofter which an insoluble portion is found to	according to the invention, and particularly	
	remain The latter is suction intered and then	those of the preceding examples (the reference	
50	washed with alcohol and with etner. 1 his his	numbers of the products are given in said	
50	coluble fraction (1.3 g) constitutes the pure	examples) will now be given for illustrative	105
	product (XIX); m.p. 185—188°; Yield: 26%	purposes.	
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	I, Acute toxicity LD <sub>50</sub> in mice, mg/kg			
5	Product No.	intra-venous	oute of administrat intra-peritoneal	ion: per os
	Ia Ib	> 800 : >1000 > 800	>1000 >1000 >1000	>1000 >1000
	II II	> 800	>1000 > 600 >1000	>1000 >1000
10	IV VI	250 300	500 600	>1000 >1000 1000
	Mixture VIa+VIb VIII	350 160	600 450	1000 800
15	IX XI - XIII	180 150	>1000 >1000	>1000 >1000
•	XV Mixture XVIII+XIX	650 420	>1000 > 600	>1000 1000
20	XX (Ex. 18)	>1500 > 500	>1500 >1000	>1500
	Codein phosphate (for comparative purposes)	65	130	>1000

Thus, it is apparent that the acute toxicity of all products tested is extremely low and always much lower than of codein phosphate.

### II. Systemic effects

At dosages of 2—20 mg/kg, by the intravenous route in rat, guinea-pig or rabbit, the only effects found for some of the products are a low and transient hypotension and a respiratory stimulation, also of short duration. Only the two o-diphenolic materials tested (mixture XVIII+XIX and compound XX) induce a transient hypertension at strong dosages (dosage about 1000 to 2000 times that of adrenalin and of noradrenalin to produce the same effect).

III. Anti-tussive activity

1) Products (I), (Ia) and (III) protect markedly the quinea-pig against coughing induced by ammonia aerosols, according to the technique of C. A. Winter and L. Flataker (J. Pharmacol, exper. Therap., 1954, 112, 99).

2) Product (I) was compared with codein phosphate in decerebrated guinea-pig, coughing being induced by touching the inner tracheal walls with a small catheter, according to M. Lemeignan, G. Streichenberger & P. Lechat (Thérapie, 21, 361)

50 In administration by the intra-peritoneal route, 60 mg/kg of (I) and 10 mg/kg of codein phosphate have a comparable activity, decreasing strongly the severity of the coughing fits during 40—60 minutes (5 mg/kg of codein phosphate are inactive). It should be noted that (I) is free from any toxicity by the intra-peritoneal route (LD<sub>50</sub> above 1 g/kg) whereas that of codein phosphate, by this route, is 130 mg/kg.

3) Product (I) and its constituents (Ia) and (Ib), and also products (X), (XIII) and (XX) were submitted to R. Domenjoz's test (Arch.

Exp. Pathol. Pharmacol., 1952, 215, 19) which comprises stimulating electrically the upper laryngeal nerve in cat while the trachae is connected through a cannula with a Marey drum which records the respiration and its variations under the influence of coughing. Codein phosphate was used as reference material.

(I) and (Ib) have an anti-tussive activity that is comparable in intensity to that of code-in phosphate at the same dosages. The activity of (Ia) is markedly lower. Duration of the action of (I) is comparable to that of codein phosphate and higher than that of (Ia) and (Ib) administered separately.

The anti-tussive activity of (XIII) is close to that of (I) both with respect to intensity and to duration, that of (X) is close, as to intensity, but lower as to duration, and that of (XX) is marked, but lower than that of (I) with respect to intensity.

## IV. Action on intestinal transit

Product (I) has no action on intestinal transit in mice, whereas codein phosphate slows it down strongly: after administration of a charcoal slurry to three lots of 10 mice, the average percentages of the length of intestine travelled by the charcoal are the following:

Reference animals: 59.7% Treated with 75 mg/kg codein		90
phosphate per os Treated with 150 mg/kg of pro-	13.2%	
duct (I) per os	60.7%	

V. To conclude, the products according to the invention, and more particularly product (I), mutual salt of cis- and trans - 4,6 - dihydroxy - 1,2,3,4 - tetrahydro - isoquinaldic acids, are endowed with anti-tussive properties equivalent to those of codein, with the follow-

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ing advantages over the latter: acute toxicity practically nil, absence of paralysing action on the intestine and absence of respiratory

depressant action.

They are applicable in human therapeutics for the treatment of coughing from any origin: tracheitis, rhinopharyngitis, laryngitis, bronchitis, acute and chronic pneumonopathy, influenza, spasmodic and reflex coughing, 10 coughing fits, whooping-cough, turberculosis.

Therefore, the present invention relates also to a therapeutic composition containing, as active principle, a reaction product as defined previously together with a pharmaceutically

acceptable vehicle.

The composition of the invention is administrable by the oral or rectal route, for example at a daily dosage regimen of 0.05-1 g, or more, of active principle, according to

the case. For administration, the composition is formulated in particular as tablets, coated tablets or capsules, containing for example 25-250 mg of active ingredient per unit dose, or as sweetened and flavored granules or suspensions

containing 0.5-5%, by weight, of active ingredient, or also in the form of suppositories containing each 50-500 mg of active ingredient.

In such pharmaceutical forms, the active ingredient is associated with the suitable wellknown vehicles or excipients.

WHAT WE CLAIM IS:-1. A reaction product of one mole of an arylethanolamine of formula

with one or more of a glycolic acid or ester thereof of formula

in which R and R', which may be the same or different, represent hydrogen or an alkyl group having from 1 to 8 carbon atoms and R" is hydrogen or a hydroxy group. 2. A compound of formula

in which R, R' and R" have the same meanings as in claim 1, or a compound of equimolar quantities of the cis and trans forms of said compound (C) when R' is hydrogen.

3. A compound of formula

in which R has the same meaning as in claim

4. A mixture of a compound according to claim 2 and a compound according to claim

5. A compound of equimolar quantities of cis- and trans - 4,6 - dihydroxy - 2 - methyl -1,2,3,4 - tetrahydroisoquinoline 1 - carboxylic acids.

6. A process for the production of a compounds of formula (C), as hereinbefore defined, and/or a compound of equimolar quantities of the cis and trans forms of said compound (C), where R' is hydrogen, and/or of formula (D), as hereinbefore defined, which process comprises reacting an arylethanolamine of formula (A), as hereinbefore defined, with a glyoxylic acid or ester thereof of formula (B), as hereinbefore defined.

7. A process according to claim 6, in which said glyoxylic acid or ester thereof is used in

aqueous or alcoholic solution.

8. A process according to claim 6, substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to any one of the foregoing Examples.

9. A compound of formula (C) or a compound of equimolar quantities of the cis and trans forms of said compound (C) when produced by a process according to any one of claims 6 to 8.

10. A compound of formula (D) when pro-

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duced by a process according to any one of claims 6 to 8.

11. A therapeutic composition comprising a compound according to any of claims 2, 3, 9 or 10 and a pharmaceutically acceptable vehicle.

12. A composition according to claim 11, in unit dosage form.

13. A composition according to claim 12, 10 suitable for oral administration, in which each unit dose contains from 25 to 250 mg of said compound.

14. A composition according to claim 13,

in the form of a tablet, a coated tablet or a

15. A composition according to claim 12, in the form of a suppository containing 50 to 500 mg of said compound.

16. A composition according to claim 11, in the form of sweetened and flavoured granules or suspension containing from 0.5 to 5 per cent by weight of said compound.

17. A therapeutic composition according to claim 11, substantially as hereinbefore des-

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  An alpha-2 antagonist compsn. comprises a carrier and a 3-benzazepine
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  (R is 1-3C alkyl or allyl. X is halo). Most pref. (I) is 6-chloro
  -2,3,4,5-tetrahydro-3-methyl-1H-benzazepine (Ia) used as its
  hydrochloride salt. Esp. (I) are used to reduce intraocular pressure
  (treatment of glaucoma); as cardiovascular agents (treatment of
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